Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1 - 21 are pending in the application, with 1, 6, and 15 being the independent claims.

Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 - 5 of the Application under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5, 819,077 ("Koga"). Koga discloses a graphics system that includes a machine having graphics rendering resources. The system disclosed by Koga also includes a separate remote machine that can access these rendering resources (Koga, FIG. 1). Both machines can contain a graphics application. The application in the remote machine generates a graphics command to a graphics library, which transfers the command as a communications protocol to the machine having the rendering resources. Koga further discloses that the application resident in the machine having the rendering resources can generate graphics commands to be executed locally. (Koga, FIG. 1; column 3, line 46 to column 4, line 16; and column 4, lines 30-49).

Independent claim 1 of the present application has been amended to emphasize that the claimed system provides a remote client with access to graphics rendering resources at a server. Moreover, the claimed system includes an application at the server that receives commands from the client. While Koga discloses an application residing at a server machine, Koga neither discloses nor suggests a system in which an application resides at the server machine and receives commands from a client machine. Support for this amendment can be found in FIG. 1 and 4, and page 5, line 25 through page 6, line 5 of the present application. Further support can be found at page 9, lines 1-28 of the present application.

In light of this amendment, claim 1 is neither anticipated by nor rendered obvious by Koga. Likewise, dependent claims 2 - 5 are neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by this reference. For at least these reasons, therefore, claims 1 - 5 of the present application are patentable over Koga.

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Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

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1. (Once amended) A system for providing a client with access to remote graphics rendering resources at a server, the server comprising:

an application at the server, wherein said application receives commands from the client; and

a remote rendering control system that receives graphics instructions from said application, generates modified graphics instructions on the basis of said graphics instructions, and outputs said modified graphics instructions to said graphics rendering resources.